Brookings County Weed & Pest Board Meeting

Brookings City County Building

Brookings, SD

April 18, 2018

Steve Olson called the April 18, 2018 meeting of the Brookings County Weed & Pest Board to order at 2:00 PM. Those in attendance were Steve Olson, Randy Meyer, Commissioner Miller, Joel Ripley, Gary Egeberg and Misty Moser.

Steve Olson called for any additions or corrections to the minutes or agenda. There was a couple changes items to be added Weed enforcement officer cell phone reimbursement, add in paper, spring ID plant tour. The items are be added, to the agenda under New Business item number 6, 7, 8.

Old Business:

DOT Contract- The amount of the DOT Contract was \$24,994.00 for 2018 spray season, and the Gopher Contract- was \$1000.00 for the 2018 season. I am still waiting on the Contracts to come back in the mail.

Equipment- the Weed Department is getting the Gray international truck from Highway Department. We will use the spray equipment from the cab over and put it directly on the gray international. Otherwise, our other equipment is in fair shape.

Landfill- Brookings County Weed and Pest will be spraying the landfill again this year.

Mosquito calibration Workshop- I and Gary Egeberg will be attending the Mosquito Workshop in Mitchell on April 26, 2018 to get the Mosquito Foggers calibrated.

Chemical Bid- Ag First Farmers Co-op received the chemical Bid for this year.

New Business:

Weed Grant- We will be receiving a \$5000.00 Grant to assist with the chemical purchase from the State Department of Agriculture.

Employee Update- I have Hired 2 individuals, we did not have a truck driver apply for the position this year.

Towns and Townships- Misty looked into using a different chemical this year because we are losing two townships, they want Tordon sprayed, and we just cannot because of our water aquafer.

Annual Towns and Townships- The annual meeting went well this year again, we did receive a bill from the swiftel because I had agreed to pay for afternoon coffee and cookies.

Start Date- Misty is having the employees come back on April 30, 2018 for Mike, Mitch, Gary and the ATV crew will return on May 7, 2018.

Our Next Weed and Pest Board Meeting is June 14, 2018 @ 7PM